

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Paul Anthony Ashley, Sridhar R. Muppidi, Mark Vandenwauver  
Assignee: International Business Machines Corporation  
Title: Method and System for Stepping Up to Certificate-Based Authentication Without Breaking an Existing SSL Session  
Serial No.: 10/621,927 Filing Date: July 17, 2003  
Examiner: Brandon S. Hoffman Group Art Unit: 2136  
Docket No.: AUS920030169US1 Customer No. 65362

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Austin, Texas  
November 28, 2007

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a two (2) month extension of time within which to respond to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2007, such extension allowing the undersigned until November 28, 2007, to respond.

The extension fee is being paid via the USPTO EFS. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0447.

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Respectfully submitted,

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